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### IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (canceled).

Claim 2 (currently amended): The stool apparatus according to claim **[[1]] 19** wherein the carriage comprises a vertical bar attached to the telescopic device, a horizontal bar integrated with the vertical bar and two wheels attached to the horizontal bar, **with the retaining device located on the vertical bar spaced from the telescopic device, with the telescopic device being intermediate the retainer device and the horizontal bar.**

Claim 3 (currently amended): The stool apparatus according to claim 2 wherein the carriage includes a lug formed thereon, **with the at least one receiving hole located on the lug of the carriage,** and **wherein** the stool includes two **[[lugs]] ears** between which the lug of the carriage is located and connected, **with a concave face formed between the two ears, with the detent hole formed in the concave face.**

Claim 4 (currently amended): The stool apparatus according to claim 3 comprising a screw driven in the lug of the carriage and the **[[lugs]] ears** of the stool.

Claim 5 (original): The stool apparatus according to claim 4 comprising a nut engaged with the screw.

Claim 6 (currently amended): The stool apparatus according to claim **[[1]] 19** comprising a tension spring for shrinking the telescopic device.

Claim 7 (original): The stool apparatus according to claim 6 wherein the tension spring is put in the telescopic device.

Claim 8 (currently amended): The stool apparatus according to claim **[[1]] 3** wherein the telescopic device defines a screw hole, and the carriage defines an aperture through which a screw is driven into the screw hole, **with the aperture located intermediate and spaced from the lug and the horizontal bar.**

Claim 9 (currently amended): The stool apparatus according to claim **[[1]] 19** wherein the telescopic device comprises a first tube, a second tube inserted in the first tube and a third tube inserted in the second tube.

Claim 10 (original): The stool apparatus according to claim 9 comprising a tension spring with a rear end attached to a rear end of the first tube and a front end attached to a front end of the third tube.

Claim 11 (original): The stool apparatus according to claim 10 wherein the tension

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spring is put in the telescopic device.

Claim 12 (original): The stool apparatus according to claim 9 wherein the carriage comprises a vertical bar attached to the third tube, a horizontal bar integrated with the vertical bar and two wheels attached to the horizontal bar.

Claim 13 (currently amended): The stool apparatus according to claim ~~[[1]]~~ **19** comprising a clamping device for connecting the telescopic device with the post.

Claim 14 (currently amended): The stool apparatus according to claim 13 wherein the clamping device includes a first jaw having first and second ends, a second jaw having first and second ends, with the first end of the second jaw hinged with the first end of the first jaw and at least one quick release element extending between the second ends of the first and second jaws for forcing the second end of the first jaw towards the second end of the second jaw, with the telescopic device secured to the second jaw intermediate the first and second ends of the second jaw.

Claim 15 (currently amended): The stool apparatus according to claim 14 wherein the second end of the first jaw defines at least one cutout, and the second end of the second jaw defines at least one hole, and the quick release element includes a lever/cam for abutment against ~~one of the [[jaws]]~~ second end of the first jaw adjacent the at least one cutout, a screw pivotally connected with the lever/cam and inserted in the cutout and the hole and a nut engaged with the screw and abutting with the second end of the second jaw adjacent the at least one hole, with the spacing between the nut and the lever/cam along the screw varying with pivoting of the lever/cam relative to the screw.

Claim 16 (canceled).

Claim 17 (currently amended): The stool apparatus according to claim ~~[[16]]~~ **2** wherein the stool includes a groove defined in ~~[[the]]~~ a front face in order to receive the vertical bar when the stool is put vertically.

Claim 18 (canceled).

Claim 19 (currently amended): ~~[[The]]~~ A stool apparatus for use in a chair with a post, the stool apparatus comprising a stool; a carriage for carrying the stool, wherein the stool is pivotally installed on the carriage; a telescopic device for connecting the carriage according to claim 18 the post; and a retaining device for retaining the stool in position relative to the carriage, wherein the retaining device includes a detent installed in a detent hole

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at one of the carriage and the stool, with the detent being biased out of the detent hole by a spring received in the detent hole, and wherein the retaining device further includes at least one receiving hole defined in the other of the carriage and the stool for receiving the detent.

Claim 20 (currently amended): The stool apparatus according to claim 19 wherein the retaining device includes a plurality of receiving holes.

Claim 21 (new): A stool apparatus for use in a chair with a post, the stool apparatus comprising a stool; a carriage for carrying the stool; a telescopic device for connecting the carriage to the post; and a clamping device for connecting the telescopic device with the post, wherein the clamping device includes a first jaw having first and second ends, a second jaw having first and second ends, with the first end of the second jaw hinged with the first end of the first jaw and at least one quick release element extending between the second ends of the first and second jaws for forcing the second end of the first jaw towards the second end of the second jaw, with the telescopic device secured to the second jaw intermediate the first and second ends of the second jaw.

Claim 22 (new): The stool apparatus according to claim 21 wherein the second end of the first jaw defines at least one cutout, and the second end of the second jaw defines at least one hole, and the quick release element includes a lever/cam for abutment against the second end of the first jaw adjacent the at least one cutout, a screw pivotally connected with the lever/cam and inserted in the cutout and the hole and a nut engaged with the screw and abutting with the second end of the second jaw adjacent the at least one hole, with the spacing between the nut and the lever/cam along the screw varying with pivoting of the lever/cam relative to the screw.